Health and Family Services Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs

	Revised FY 2006	Requested FY 2007	Requested FY 2008	Recommended FY 2007	Recommended FY 2008
SOURCE OF FUNDS General Fund					
Regular Appropriation Salary Compensation Fund Base Deduction	5,490,500 125,200 -123,800	6,795,800	6,785,700	5,835,400	5,917,000
Total General Fund	5,491,900	6,795,800	6,785,700	5,835,400	5,917,000
Tobacco Settlement-Phase I					
Tobacco Settlement - I Continuing Appropriation Budget Reduction Other	455,000 48,700 -109,000 -43,900	455,000 4,800	455,000	312,100	352,000
Total Tobacco Settlement-Phase I	350,800	459,800	455,000	312,100	352,000
Restricted Funds Balance Forward	500	439,000	433,000	312,100	332,000
Current Receipts Fund Transfers	6,669,700 -500	6,781,000	7,364,100	6,696,100	6,773,400
Total Restricted Funds Federal Funds	6,669,700	6,781,000	7,364,100	6,696,100	6,773,400
Balance Forward	257,500				
Current Receipts	4,209,900	4,379,000	4,379,000	4,379,000	4,379,000
Total Federal Funds	4,467,400	4,379,000	4,379,000	4,379,000	4,379,000
TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS EXPENDITURES BY CLASS	16,979,800	18,415,600	18,983,800	17,222,600	17,421,400
Personnel Cost	9,175,300	10,459,700	11,034,500	9,456,800	9,615,700
Operating Expenses	1,487,900	1,528,500	1,528,500	1,487,900	1,487,900
Grants, Loans or Benefits	6,316,600	6,427,400	6,420,800	6,277,900	6,317,800
TOTAL EXPENDITURES EXPENDITURES BY FUND SOURCE	16,979,800	18,415,600	18,983,800	17,222,600	17,421,400
General Fund	5,491,900	6,795,800	6,785,700	5,835,400	5,917,000
Tobacco Settlement-Phase I	350,800	459,800	455,000	312,100	352,000
Restricted Funds	6,669,700	6,781,000	7,364,100	6,696,100	6,773,400
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The Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs has over 80 years experience in providing care for children with a variety of special needs. Through the years, the Commission has evolved from providing surgeries for "crippled children" to offering comprehensive medical care for children with a range of complex needs. A family-centered approach ensures that the family is valued as an integral part of the care plan and services are provided to assist the family in meeting children's needs.

The Commission is charged with planning, developing, providing, and evaluating the public statewide system of care for children with special health care needs and providing early intervention services pursuant to:

- KRS 200.460 to 200.499: authorizes the Commission's functions;
- 902 KAR 4:070: the Commission's regulatory authority;

- KRS 200.550 and 200.560: authorizes the Hemophilia program;
- 911 KAR 1:080 SSI: Children's Support Services (SSI/CSS) mandated by the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant authorized at the federal level by Title V of the Social Security Act;
- 911 KAR 1:085: Universal Newborn Hearing Screening Grant Program.

The Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs works collaboratively with other agencies to assure services to children with disabilities are comprehensive, community-based, family-centered, and coordinated, thus avoiding duplication and fragmentation of the service delivery system. Accessibility is a key component of the delivery system.

The family's financial status plays a role in determining whether the child is accepted into the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program and the Hemophilia Program. All families with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level are accepted. A sliding fee scale based on income and number in household determines what percentage of the cost each family pays for treatment. Individuals who fall outside the program's income guidelines can also receive services through the Commission if they reside in medically under-served areas of the state, though the family is required to reimburse the Commission for treatment costs. This allows the Commission to further assist in communities where specialized medical care is unavailable.

The Commission has several ongoing initiatives. These include: the implementation of a Care Coordination and Quality Management Model for the agency's clinical programs, the CHAMPIONS Grant to increase parental involvement, Universal Newborn Hearing Screening, and other collaborations with community and statewide partners. The Commission also operates VISION, a vision examination program that is part of the Early Childhood Development program.